

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-16. (Canceled)

17. (New) A thermoplastic polymer composition having improved degree of mattness, comprising combination of at least two inorganic fillers selected from the group consisting of zinc sulfide, titanium dioxide, barium sulfate, silica, alumina, kaolin, calcium carbonate, calcium sulfate and a mattifying clay.

18. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 17, said combination comprising at least two inorganic fillers selected from the group consisting of zinc sulfide, titanium dioxide, barium sulfate and silica.

19. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 17, said combination comprising two inorganic fillers.

20. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 17, said combination of inorganic fillers being selected from the group of combinations consisting of zinc sulfide and titanium dioxide, zinc sulfide and barium sulfate, zinc sulfide and silica and titanium dioxide and silica.

21. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 20, said combination of inorganic fillers comprising titanium dioxide and zinc sulfide.

22. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 17, wherein the proportion by weight of the combination of inorganic fillers with respect to the total weight of the polymer composition is greater than 1.5%.

23. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 17, wherein the proportion by weight of the combination of inorganic fillers with respect to the total weight of the polymer composition is less than 10%.

24. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 17, in which the inorganic fillers are present in binary combinations in proportions by weight ranging from 1:99 to 99:1.

25. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 17, in which the thermoplastic polymer comprising the thermoplastic matrix of the polymer composition is selected from the group consisting of polylactones, polyurethanes, poly carbonates, polysulfones, polyethers, polyketones, polyamides, polyesters, poly(arylene oxide)s, poly(arylene sulfide)s, polyetherimides, vinyl polymers and copolymers thereof, ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymers, acrylic polymers and copolymers, polyacrylates and copolymers thereof, polyolefins,

ionomers, poly(epichlorohydrin)s, poly(urethane)s, polysulfones, furan resins, cellulose ester plastics, silicones and blends of at least two of the above polymers.

26. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 17, in which the thermoplastic polymer comprising the thermoplastic matrix of the polymer composition comprises a polyamide.

27. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 26, in which the thermoplastic polymer comprising the thermoplastic matrix of the polymer composition comprises polyamide 6, polyamide 6,6, polyamide 11, polyamide 12, polyamide 4, polyamides 4,6, 6,10, 6,12, 6,36 and 12,12, and semi-aromatic polyamides prepared from terephthalic and/or isophthalic acid.

28. (New) A thermoplastic polymer composition comprising more than 0.5% by weight of a combination of inorganic fillers, said combination comprising at least two inorganic fillers selected from the group consisting of zinc sulfide, titanium dioxide, silica, alumina, kaolin, calcium carbonate, calcium sulfate and a mattifying clay, other than a polymer composition having a polyester matrix and comprising a binary combination of titanium dioxide and of zinc sulfide.

29. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 28, comprising a combination of inorganic fillers selected from the group consisting of

ZnS/TiO₂, ZnS/SiO₂, ZnS/SiO₂/TiO₂ and TiO₂/SiO₂, other than a polymer composition having a polyester matrix and comprising a binary combination of titanium dioxide and of zinc sulfide.

30. (New) An article shaped from a thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 17.

31. (New) An article shaped from a thermoplastic polymer as defined by Claim 30, in the form of yarns, fibers or filaments.

32. (New) A flocked surface of high mattness comprising one or more shaped articles as defined by Claim 30.

33. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 22, said proportion by weight being greater than or equal to 2%.

34. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 22, said proportion by weight being greater than or equal to 2.5%.

35. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 24, said proportions by weight ranging from 20:80 to 80:20.

36. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 24, said proportions by weight ranging from 40:60 to 60:40.

37. (New) The thermoplastic polymer composition as defined by Claim 24, said proportion by weight being on the order of 50:50.